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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please substitute the following paragraph for the second full paragraph on page 6:

--Each bead portion 4 is provided between radially outer part 9 and the bead core 5 with an organic fiber cord layer 10 in order to provide a certain distance (t) between the carcass cords 6C in the radially outer part 9 and the radially outer face 5a of the bead core 5. When measured normally to the radially outer face 5a, the distance (t) is in a range of from 0.05 to 1.0 times, preferably

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0.08 to 0.8 times the section height BH of the bead core 5. Usually, the distance (t) is set in a range of from 0.1 to 5.0 mm, preferably 0.3 to 4.0 mm. Here, the section height BH of the bead core is defined as the maximum height in a direction at a right angle to the radially outer face 5a.--

REMARKS

Entry of the present amendment and favorable action on the above-identified application are earnestly solicited.

Attached hereto is a marked-up copy of the changes made to the application by this Amendment.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment: Version with Markings Showing Changes Made

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

The specification has been amended as follows:

Each bead portion 4 is provided between radially outer part 9 and the bead core 5 with an organic fiber cord layer 10 in order to provide a certain distance (t) between the carcass cords 6C in the radially outer part 9 and the radially outer face 5a of the bead core 5. When measured normally to the radially outer face 5a, the distance (t) is in a range of from 0.05 to 1.0 times, preferably [0.005 to 1.0, more preferably 0.008 to] 0.08 to 0.8 times the section height BH of the bead core 5. Usually, the distance (t) is set in a range of from 0.1 to 5.0 mm, preferably 0.3 to 4.0 mm. Here, the section height BH of the bead core is defined as the maximum height in a direction at a right angle to the radially outer face 5a.